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Amendments to the Claims:

A listing of the entire set of pending claims (including amendments to the claims, if any) is submitted herewith per 37 CFR 1.121. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended)   A method of monitoring a broadcast signal (28), comprising receiving (200), by an end user device, a broadcast signal (28), the broadcast signal (28) including a timebase (23), monitoring (202) the broadcast signal (28) for an identification signal (24), and pausing (204) the received timebase (23) if the identification signal (24) is not present.

2. (Currently amended)   A The method according to claim 1, wherein the broadcast signal (28) comprises a video component (18), an audio component (20), and a data component (22).

3. (Currently amended)   A The method according to claim 2, wherein the timebase (23) is a portion of the data component (22) of the broadcast signal (28).

4. (Currently amended)   A The method according to claim 2, wherein the broadcast signal (28) is a digital signal (28) and the identification signal (24) is present in the data component (22) of the broadcast signal (28).

5. (Currently amended)   A The method according to claim 1, wherein the broadcast signal is an analogue signal and the identification signal is present in the vertical blanking interval of the broadcast signal.

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6. (Currently amended)   A The method according to claim 1, and further comprising restarting (206) the received timebase (23), once the identification signal (24) is present.

7. (Currently amended)   A The method according to claim 1, wherein the identification signal (24) is present in the normal data structures describing the video component (22) of the broadcast signal (28).

8. (Currently amended)   Apparatus for monitoring a broadcast signal (28), comprising receiving means (36) for receiving the broadcast signal (28), the broadcast signal (28) including a timebase (23), and monitoring means (38) for monitoring the broadcast signal (28) for an identification signal (24), and for pausing the received timebase (23) if the identification signal (24) is not present.

9. (Currently amended)   Apparatus The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the signal (28) comprises a video component (18), an audio component (20), and a data component (22).

10. (Currently amended)   Apparatus The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the received timebase (23) is a portion of the data component (22) of the broadcast signal (28).

11. (Currently amended)   Apparatus The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the receiving means (36) and the monitoring means (38) are portions of an integrated circuit.

12. (Currently amended)   Apparatus The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the apparatus is a digital television receiver (34).

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13. (Currently amended)   ~~Apparatus~~ The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the monitoring means ~~(38)~~ is arranged to restart the <u>received</u> timebase ~~(23)~~, once the identification signal ~~(24)~~ is present.